

Proposed Rules of Procedure for the **2022 MISSION 22 CONVOCATION**

2022 NALC Annual Convocation

1. The business of this Convocation shall be as outlined in the official agenda distributed to the Convocation.
2. The rules set forth in the current edition of “Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised,” shall govern this Convocation in all applicable cases, to the extent consistent with the rules and agenda adopted by this Convocation, and according to the constitution of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC).
3. Once adopted, the rules shall not be amended or suspended — except by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at this Convocation.
4. The voting body for this Convocation will include all ordained ministers of the NALC, who are properly registered to attend; and those laypersons who have been elected as delegates by congregations of the NALC, who are properly registered to attend. The quorum for conducting business shall be such registered delegates who are in attendance.
5. If not a delegate, each NALC officer and each person serving in a position subject to election by a Convocation will have the right of voice, but not vote, at this Convocation.
6. Unless otherwise determined by a majority of those attending Convocation, all speeches during discussion shall be limited to **two minutes**.
7. Delegates may request to speak to a motion or make a point of personal privilege by typing in the webinar chat panel the following: *full name, congregation and “I would like to speak (for or against) the motion” or “I would like to make a point of personal privilege.”* Those requesting to speak to a motion will be recognized by the Bishop in the order received, alternating those speaking for and against. The Bishop will announce the speaker’s name and congregation. The speaker will then be unmuted in order to address the Convocation.

8. Delegates may ask a question of the Chair by typing in the webinar chat panel the following: their full name, congregation, "Question for the Chair" and their question. The Bishop will read their question to the Convocation and respond as appropriate.
9. All elections shall follow the procedures outlined in the Constitution, which specifies that except for the office of Bishop, *nominations must be submitted to the Nominating Committee no later than 45 days prior to the Convocation.*
10. A majority of the legal votes cast shall be necessary for election. Should a first ballot not result in an election, a second ballot shall be cast.

The nominees for a second ballot shall include the names of the two persons who have received the highest vote on the first ballot, plus ties. When there are more than four nominees for a position, the second ballot will include the three persons who have received the highest vote on the first ballot, plus ties; and the third ballot, if necessary, will include the two persons who have received the highest vote on the second ballot, plus ties.